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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR EBERLE'S PRESIDENTIAL ECONOMIC
MISSION

REF: A. STATE 220225; B. STATE 220243;

C. STATE 220254

1. HAVING NEVER RECEIVED SEPTTEL PROMISED PARAGRAPH 4
REF A, GIVING SPECIFIC REQUESTS FOR APPOINTMENTS IN
PARIS AND GIVEN SHORTNESS OF TIME, WE HAVE GONE AHEAD
TO REQUEST APPOINTMENTS WE CONSIDERED APPROPRIATE. WE
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HAVE REQUESTED APPOINTMENTS WITH FOREIGN MINISTER

SAUVAGNARGUES AND ECONOMY AND FINANCE MINISTER FOURCADE.
ECON/COM MIN DELIVERED PRESIDENT FORD'S LETTER TO CLAUDE
PIERRE BROSOLETTTE, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE ELYSEE, AT
3:00 P.M. PARIS TIME OCTOBER 7, EARLIEST TIME APPOINT-
MENT WITH BROSOLETTTE WAS POSSIBLE. NOTING STATEMENT
IN PRESIDENT FORD'S LETTER THAT HE HAD ASKED AMBASSADOR
EBERLE TO DISCUSS WITH GISCARD OR OFFICIALS WHOM HE
MIGHT DESIGNATE, ECON/COM MIN POINTED OUT THAT, IN VIEW
OF TIME PROBLEM, EMBASSY HAD ALREADY TAKEN LIBERTY OF
REQUESTING APPOINTMENTS DIRECTLY WITH SAUVAGNARGUES AND
FOURCADE. BROSOLETTTE NODDED IN APPROVAL. ECON/COM
MIN ADDED THAT EMBASSY HOPED PRESIDENT GISCARD WOULD
FIND IT POSSIBLE TO RECEIVE AMBASSADOR EBERLE BUT THAT
IF THIS PROVED IMPOSSIBLE, WE THOUGHT IT IMPORTANT THAT
BROSOLETTTE HIMSELF MEET WITH HIM. BROSOLETTTE SAID
THAT WE COULD BE SURE THAT EITHER GISCARD OR HIMSELF
WOULD RECEIVE AMBASSADOR EBERLE AND PROMISED TO LET US
KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHICH IT WOULD BE.

2. FOURCADE IS TIED UP AT A MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER
CHIRAC ALL MORNING OCTOBER 10 AND HAS PROPOSED MEETING
WITH AMBASSADOR EBERLE AT 7:15 P.M. ON OCTOBER 9. WE
HAVE ACCEPTED THIS APPOINTMENT FOR AMBASSADOR EBERLE.
SINCE MEETING WITH FOURCADE MAY RUN AS LATE AS 8:30 P.M.,
OFFICIAL DINNER ON EVENING OF OCTOBER 9 APPEARS
PRECLUDED AND WE ARE MAKING NO PLANS FOR DINNER.

3. SAUVAGNARGUES' OFFICE HAS NOT YET REPLIED TO OUR
REQUEST FOR AN APPOINTMENT.

4. SINCE WE BELIEVE NUMBER OF U.S. PARTICIPANTS IN
MEETING WITH FRENCH OFFICIALS SHOULD GENERALLY BE
DICTATED BY SIZE OF FRENCH SIDE, WE ARE DEFERRING
SUGGESTIONS ON WHICH MEMBERS OF DELEGATION SHOULD
ACCOMPANY AMBASSADOR EBERLE AND APPOINTMENTS FOR OTHER
MEMBERS OF PARTY UNTIL ALL APPOINTMENTS FOR AMBASSADOR

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EBERLE ARE CONFIRMED AND WE KNOW WHO WILL BE PRESENT ON FRENCH SIDE. IF ONLY PARTICIPANT ON FRENCH SIDE IS MINISTER OR MINISTER AND ONE AIDE, WE BELIEVE U.S. PARTICIPANTS SHOULD PROBABLY BE LIMITED TO AMBASSADOR EBERLE, MR. MCCracken AND EMBASSY REPRESENTATIVE.

5. WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT AMBASSADOR EBERLE MEET BRIEFLY (30 TO 45 MINUTES) WITH PRESS FOLLOWING HIS MEETINGS WITH FRENCH OFFICIALS. SUBJECT TO EXIGENCIES OF HIS SCHEDULE, WE SUGGEST 12 NOON ON OCTOBER 10 IN EMBASSY AUDITORIUM. IF MEETING MUST TAKE PLACE CLOSER TO DEPARTURE TIME, AN AIRPORT PRESS CONFERENCE WOULD BE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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A POOR SECOND CHOICE. PRESS ROOM WILL BE SET UP IN THE EMBASSY. WE HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED QUERIES FROM LOCAL NEWS AGENCIES ABOUT AMBASSADOR EBERLE'S VISIT SO THAT THE SOONER THE VISIT IS ANNOUNCED IN WASHINGTON, THE BETTER FOR US.

6. SHORTNESS OF STAY IN PARIS PRECLUDES EXTENSIVE PROGRAM FOR MRS. AND MISS EBERLE AND MRS. MCCracken. WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO ORGANIZE BRIEF SHOPPING EXPEDITION WITH EMBASSY WIFE IF THEY WISH
PLEASE ADVISE.

7. ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL MINISTER CHRIS PETROW IS
SUBSTANTIVE CONTROL OFFICER AND ADMINISTRATIVE COUNSELOR
PETER SKOUFIS IS ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL OFFICER.
ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS BEING TRANSMITTED SEPTTEL.
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